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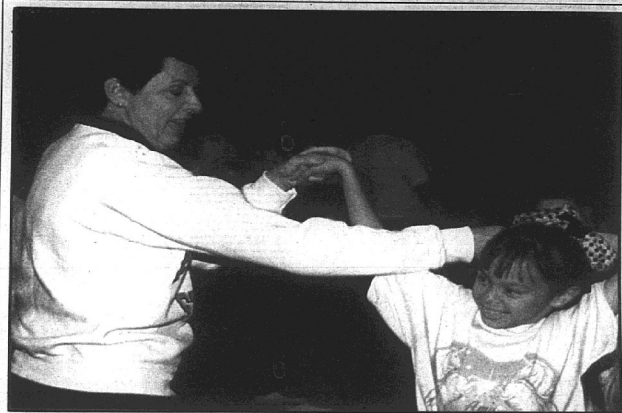
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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Dance time — Marshall Elementary School teacher Dot Bailey shows Amy Dioneda, one of her fourth-grade students, a few dance steps at a sock hop given for students who had no disciplinary problems for a month. See Page 5A for more photos.

Gangs making inroads in area

Schools used to recruit members

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Gangs — not just "wanna-bees" — have invaded Granite City and are utilizing our schools to recruit members, according to the Granite City police department's juvenile officer. But Detective Rich Werth says it is not too late to stop them from gaining a foothold here.

"Our intelligence is that they are still in the infant stage of their organization and development," Werth told a group of about 30 educators last week at Granite City High School.

He said there are two main factions in the city — a small group based in Lincoln Place that calls itself "Gangster Disciples" and a larger group of up to 250 referring to itself as "White Power," "Supreme White Power" and "North Siders," based in Kirkpatrick Homes, East Granite and West Granite.

Most of the members are between 12 and 20 years old, Werth said. And while department intelligence has not uncovered any evidence of large quantities of drug dealing that is characteristic of full-fledged gangs, there is evidence that members are involved in



This grafitti at Maryville School is the work of gangs, authorities say.

burglaries and sometimes carry weapons, Werth said.

Werth and Sgt. Chuck Brueggeman of the Illinois State Police described for the teachers some of the dress activities and recruitment methods used by most gangs.

Brueggeman is street supervisor for a state police task force specializing in gang tracking and identification in

the East St. Louis area. Brueggeman said that he defines a gang as a group of three or more people bonded together for a common cause — criminal activity. He said members of a particular gang usually dress similarly, have hand signs and other indicators to identify themselves, and mark their "turf" by graffiti. (See GANGS, Page 7A)

Schools seek windfall

Bonds would provide \$500,000 for district

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City school officials plan to cash in on favorable interest rates and reap a one-time, half-million dollar windfall for the district.

But the school district needs public cooperation to do so. The district published its official public notice of intent to issue \$500,000 Working Cash Fund bonds in the Nov. 16 Granite City Press-Record.

School District Director of Finance Gene Logas said the working cash bonds should keep the district's tax rate for debt service at or below 34.36

"This is the opportunity to make inroads toward meeting those needs without raising the tax rate."

— Gene Logas
Finance director

cents per \$100 of assessed valuation — a promise the district made voters a year ago. According to the notice, the school district intends to issue the bonds unless an opposition petition signed by 2,641 registered district voters (10 percent of the total registered) is

filed by Dec. 15. Such a petition would call for a back-door referendum and probably kill any chance to take advantage of favorable interest rates.

The working cash proceeds could legally be used for any (See BONDS, Page 8A)

Siting hearing complaint will not go to grand jury

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

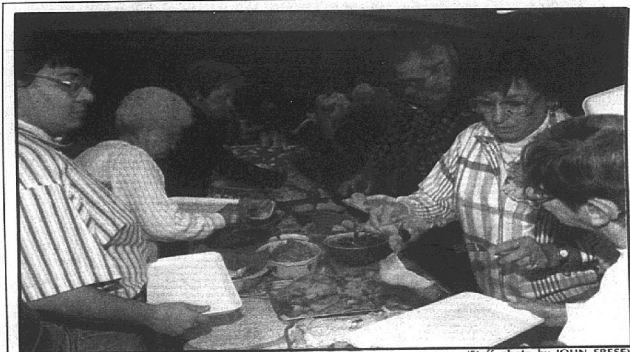
Madison County State's Attorney William Haine said Monday he has no plans to involve the grand jury in the siting of the Metro East LLC power plant in Madison.

Earlier this year the Madison City Council approved a resolution asking for a probe of allegations of corruption by city officials and the removal

of materials from the Madison Public Library. Haine called the whole matter "an unfortunate exchange in the heat of controversy," and said hearings before the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Illinois Pollution Control Board were the appropriate forums for debat-

ing the plant. He said he planned to discuss the matter with Assistant State's Attorney Michelle Berkel, who was handling the investigation, but said he "didn't foresee" any grand jury involvement.

The council's request stems from statements made by plant opponent Kathy Andria during public hearings in July, and complaints that she had (See SITING, Page 7A)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Dinner — Priscilla Awalt, a volunteer at the Salvation Army in Granite City, serves slices of turkey and ham to senior citizens attending the Thanksgiving dinner of the Golden Ages group. About 65 seniors attended the dinner.

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John Fuller, Chief Meteorologist, KSDK-NewsChannel 5

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Top Teen

Andrea Malone is the 1995 Homecoming Queen at GCHS. Her school activities and awards include Student Council President, National Honor Society, Who's Who, honors program, All-American Scholar, Triple Honor Thespian, Young Achievers, Speech and Theater Club, Science Club, ALPHA Peer Leaders, National Forensics League, and speech team captain. She has participated in the American Cancer Society fund drive, served on the United Way Youth Allocations Board and worked for the police department. She was the Elks female student of the month of August.

The daughter of Mark and Carole Malone, she enjoys piano, softball and volleyball.



Andrea Malone

Arrests solve string of area burglaries

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City police cleared up about a dozen burglaries last week.

Ricky E. Teller, 41, of the 1200 block of Edwardville Road; Christopher L. Marcum, 19, of the same address; and two juveniles age 14 and 16 were all arrested last week and charged with burglary.

Teller and Marcum were being held on \$75,000 bond. The juveniles were detained in the county juvenile home, Detective Jeff Connor said.

They are all alleged to have

participated in a string of about a dozen car burglaries the night of Nov. 14-15.

Both Teller and Marcum were on parole, Connor said. He said the two youths were on probation at the time.

Police believe Teller, who was released from prison in August after doing time for a previous burglary conviction, told Marcum and the juveniles to "go out and get some money," Connor said.

The 12 vehicle burglaries took place in the 2100 block of Pontoon Road, on the parking lot of Calvary Baptist Church (See BURGLARIES, Page 9A)

Car chase ends in accident

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A Lovejoy man was cited for almost a dozen separate violations by Venice and Madison police after a short chase that ended when he crashed his car.

Michael Emerson, 24, of Lovejoy, could face additional charges following his arrest in Venice Monday evening.

Charges issued in Venice include: failure to reduce speed, improper lane usage, speeding, reckless driving, having no valid drivers license, two counts of disobeying a stop sign and aggravated fleeing to elude police.

Madison police charged Emerson with resisting arrest and striking a police dog.

The incident began after Venice police noticed Emerson allegedly driving without headlights in North Venice.

A chase ensued. While details of the chase were not available, police said it ended when Emerson wrecked the car on Fourth Street, totaling it. He then allegedly fled into a weed-covered lot.

Venice police then requested assistance from a Madison K-9 unit.

After giving a warning, the dog was released and found Emerson. According to Madison police reports, when officers reached the two, Emerson was fighting with the dog.

During the struggle, reports said officers noticed a bag of off-white chips — suspected crack cocaine — fall out of Emerson's pocket.

Sgt. Theo Adams said police would seek additional drug charges against Emerson. Adams said he was not sure if police would seek charges of simple possession or possession with intent to deliver.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESO)

Madison Fire Chief Rob Robbins sprays water on the still-smoldering pile of debris left after railroad ties dumped near Kohl and Race Streets burned last week.

Fire still smoldering

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Railroad ties from the McKinley Bridge continued to smolder this week in a vacant lot behind Lanter Courier Corp. in Madison.

Madison Health Inspector George Amisch said Tuesday that workers from Halverson Construction, the Springfield-based firm which removed the ties from the McKinley Bridge in Venice as part of a renovation project, were at the site at the intersection of Kohl and Race streets.

Gary Collard, project supervisor for Halverson Construction, said workers had removed some of the material and taken it to a landfill, but would have to wait until the rest stops smoldering before dealing with it.

The fire has burned and smoldered since about noon Thursday. Madison Fire Chief Rob Robbins said one of the reasons is that the ties were piled together recently, mixing dirt with them.

Collard also criticized officials who said the material had been illegally dumped.

The ties had been sold as salvage by Halverson to Iron & Steel Processing of Venice.

Halverson workers had been instructed to unload the ties in the lot, Amisch said.

He had been told the company wanted to salvage the ties for use as garden decorations, but he said they were too deteriorated.

Collard disagreed. "It was a usable, sellable product," he said of the ties. "I can't figure out how they figured it was illegal."

City officials had claimed the material was illegally dumped, and had issued a stop order against the firm on Nov. 6.

Amisch had also contacted the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency about the matter.

On Thursday, the IEPA sent a crew to monitor the smoke from the fire, but the wind was blowing the thick black smoke in a safe direction, officials said.

Death ruled homicide

A 28-year-old Peoria man apparently held his ex-girlfriend and her boyfriend at gunpoint for four hours before allegedly killing the boyfriend.

Rajesh Jain, a tanning salon owner in Peoria, has been charged in the first-degree murder of a St. Louis County man whose body was found Oct. 26 in a ditch in Glen Carbon. Jain remains free on \$50,000 bond.

A coroner's jury Thursday ruled the death of Douglas Chirayil, 28, a homicide. Chirayil, a native of Malaysia, was employed as a computer programmer in St. Louis and reportedly had been dating Jain's ex-girlfriend. He was shot once in the head.

Testimony during the inquest indicated Jain, armed with two guns, forced his way into Chirayil's St. Louis apartment Oct. 25. The girlfriend told investigators that Jain held the guns on her and Chirayil for four hours before forcing them to get in his car.

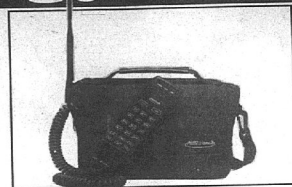
Jain reportedly told the couple he had hired a hit man to kill them both but had changed his mind and needed to put them in hiding. Jain dropped his ex-girlfriend off at his sister's St. Louis apartment and told her he was going to drive Chirayil to a motel in Illinois for safekeeping.

When Jain returned to his sister's apartment, he reportedly told his ex-girlfriend he had a discussion with Chirayil and Chirayil agreed to end his relationship with her and allow Jain to begin dating her again.

The woman told police Jain told her when he returned to the apartment that Chirayil promised he would not interfere with their relationship.

Chirayil's body was discovered by a motorist about 7 a.m. Oct. 26 in a ditch along Jean Ann Drive, just east of Illinois Route 159 and about a quarter-mile north of Interstate 270.

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State board schedules hearing on siting appeal

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A hearing on the siting appeal of Metro East LLC's 60 kilowatt power plant in Madison has been set for Jan. 4 by the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Illinois Department of Transportation Class Room of the Regional State Headquarters Complex, 1100 East Port Plaza Drive, Collinsville.

Opponents of the plant filed an appeal with the Illinois Pollution Control Board seeking to have the siting overturned.

Opponents of the plant who were named in the appeal are Stop Polluting Illinois; Kathy Andria of SPILL; the Madison County Conservation Alliance; the Sierra Club; Nameoki Township Clerk Helen Hawkins; and Cloverleaf subdivision residents Shirley Crain, Glenda Fulkerson, John Gail, Thelma Orr, Ron Shaw and Pearl Stogsdill.

The appeal was sent by certified mail to the board by Kathy Andria on October 26, the last day to file the appeal. It was received Oct. 30.

Because the original appeal did not include a copy of the city of Madison's actual decision, the board required an amended appeal to be filed.

Andria said she filed that appeal Nov. 16, the last day it could be filed. Kevin Deshar-nais, an attorney with the board, said the amended appeal had not been received by Monday morning, but could still be in the mail.

The board has 120 days from the date the original appeal is filed to render a decision, Deshar-nais said.

In September, the Madison City Council approved the siting of the plant — to be developed by Metro East LLC, a subsidiary of the Connecticut-based STRV LLC. Public hearings on the plant siting were held in late July.

The \$75 million plant would burn waste wood and coal to produce electrical energy.

The two main issues in the appeal are fundamental fairness and jurisdiction.

The fundamental fairness question deals with whether opponents were given a fair chance to present their case against the plant siting.

The jurisdictional questions

revolves around two complaints that residents of the nearby Cloverleaf subdivision were improperly notified about the public hearing on the plant in late July, and that no complete application was on file for inspection at the Madison City Hall.

The appeal also questioned a trip made by several aldermen to examine plants in Michigan. The appeal claimed the trip was a violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Madison City Attorney Casper Nighbohossian said at this time the city's role was basically to file a copy of the hearing transcript. He added that he expected John Papa, attorney for the developer, to file several motions before the hearing, but did not elaborate.

Papa said he was researching a motion to have the appeal dismissed because it was not filed in a timely manner.

He is basing this on the council's approval of the siting at a special meeting Sept. 18.

The council approved the siting on that date, but approved an ordinance three days later.

Andria could not be reached for comment.



Fascinating — At right, Katie Motes of Kathy Kirksey's third grade at Maryville Elementary School shows other students a diorama made out of a gourd which Native Americans used to carry water. Motes' father is of Cherokee ancestry, and he gave her some items to show her class as part of a Thanksgiving project. Above, Candice Fuller explains a diorama depicting a Crow Indian village to Jessica Bruce during a presentation of projects with themes relating to Thanksgiving in her third-grade class at Maryville.



(Staff photos by JOHN FRES)

Democrats back Keshner to fill circuit judge post

A Godfrey judge will get the support of Democratic leaders in Madison County in the race for circuit judge.

Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner, a six-year veteran of the bench, was endorsed Saturday during a breakfast meeting of the county's Democratic Central Committee at Charlie's Restaurant.

"I'm extremely proud and honored to be chosen as the Democratic candidate," Keshner said Saturday, pledging to work hard for the entire Democratic Party in the forthcoming elections.

"This is my first attempt at any elective office," he said. Former Associate Judge Dan Stack had also sought the endorsement for the seat vacated by George Filcoff Jr. of Granite City. He could not be reached for comment Saturday.

Associate Judge David Herndon had also expressed an interest in the seat, but he also could not be reached.

Filcoff had replaced Paul Riley, who resigned to take an appointment as U.S. District Judge.

The Illinois Supreme Court appointed Wood River attorney Randy Bono to fill Filcoff's seat in the 3rd Judicial Circuit beginning Monday. His term will expire Dec. 2, 1996, when the newly elected judge will be seated.

Bono said Saturday he has not decided if he will be a candidate for the judicial seat in the March primary.

"I want to meet with my friends in the party and in labor. I won't be sworn in until the 27th, and I'm just now beginning to talk to the people whose opinions I respect," he said.

Bono said he never asked for the committee's endorsement and was not considered.

"I sent a letter explaining my background, but I am not a candidate yet. They considered only candidates."

Keshner, 27, a practicing attorney for 25 years, is a former assistant attorney general, Alton city attorney, assistant state's attorney and special agent of the Bureau of Investigation. He is a graduate of Alton schools with a law degree from St. Louis University.

He teaches criminal law at Lewis and Clark Community College and serves as an associate judge in the court's criminal felony trial division.

Keshner declined to discuss campaign issues.

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Opinion

Editorials

An issue to be thankful for

Last week, Mayor Ron Selph made what was most likely his most difficult decision — at least politically — since taking office two and a half years ago.

We think he made the right decision. The fact is, the issue of leaves (and what to do with them) falls into the lap of the City Council. "The city must do something about these leaves," proponents of burning say. "They are ruining the sewer system and clogging up our stormwater drainage system and picking them up is costing us a fortune."

And besides, the aldermen need not say with a wink, our people want to burn them. Never mind what those idiots at the American Lung Association or know-nothing doctors at the local hospital say about the ill effects of burning on the health of asthmatics or those with heart disease. What do they know about getting re-elected anyway?

The fact is, our town was one of the first in the Metro East to prohibit leaf burning because of the ill effects of leaf smoke on the environment and human health. Granite City — renowned in this area for its less-than-fragrant air — stepped forward four years ago and became a champion of cleaner air for its residents. The city implemented a leaf pick-up program utilizing equipment purchased with grants from Madison County. It established a leaf and grass drop-off area. It began ticketing those who burned leaves, grass or other debris.

And the results are rather astonishing. According to statistics compiled by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the number of dangerous particulates — those microscopic pieces of dirt that get past your nose and throat and tear apart your lungs — in the city is down nearly 25 percent since the ban was enacted.

That isn't to say the prohibition is solely responsible for the reduction. In fact, Granite City Steel has spent millions of dollars in the past couple of years to reduce pollution.

But the leaf burning ban clearly helped.

Nevertheless, a majority of the aldermen wanted to resume leaf burning. Never mind what the doctors and other health experts said. Never mind that some residents with health problems would be forced to remain indoors. Never mind that studies show that cities that allow burning actually expend more money to put out fires caused by blazes that get out of control. Never mind that the police chief said the ordinance will be a nightmare to enforce.

Our residents have been deprived for too long of their God-given right to burn, backers of burning said.

But Selph listened to the voice of reason. We are sure he was tempted to sign the leaf burning ordinance into law. It was sponsored and supported by some of his best political allies.

During his two-and-one-half years as mayor, Selph has not had to make too many decisions on controversial issues — the kind of issues that define a leader.

But when the time came to make such a decision, Selph took the high road.

The leaf burning issue probably stirs up so many emotions because it directly impacts people's lives. Citizens generally squawk any time government tries to tell them what they can and cannot do.

But Selph put the leaf burning issue into perspective best when he pointed out that the city has not been plagued by some of the more serious and tragic issues faced by neighboring cities like drive-by shootings and increased violent crime.

With that in mind, residents can be thankful that leaves may be their greatest concern this holiday season.



Those who bring laughter vital

Family and friends aside, how would you rate the people you consider most important in your life?

Not necessarily individuals, of course; more the professionals, workers, craftsmen, without whom your own existence would be less pleasant, safe, convenient, profitable. Folks for whom you might give a thankful thought.

Teachers head my own list. Not just the individual teachers who have enriched my life, but the profession as a whole.

Notice I say teachers, not administrators, though there are some who have been without teachers, they'd be nonexistent as a profession. Hard on their heels, to me, are the firmen and police.

I'm a sucker for a uniform anyway.

Okay so far? How about my next choices? Competent, honest automobile mechanics and people who make me laugh.

I'm not vain about my own place in the order of



Carol Clarkin

things: I'd put journalists much further down the line, with the lawyers, probably hosts, used car dealers, and politicians.

But back to people who make me laugh — and there are a lot of them. They're indispensable to me; without them, I might as well be pushing up daisies.

In recent years, I've lost two friends — Warren Brown and Gerald Morrison — who could always make me laugh and I'm about to lose another.

Provider of merriment who, although I don't know him, has started my day with guaranteed glee. Mine and several million others.

Cartoonist Bill Watterson is retiring ("Calvin and Hobbes," effective Dec. 31).

As anyone in my family can

verify, I'm not at my scintillating best at breakfast. My son-in-law finds this amusing but everyone else knows it's best to let me ease myself into the day.

That first cup of coffee and cigarette help but it's the 6-year-old brat and his laid-back tiger who turn me from surly to Little Mary Sunshine. And have done so for nearly a decade.

I could handle it when, in 1991, and again in 1994, Watterson took nine-month leaves of absence from the strip because the reruns of previous cartoons were used.

But after the end of December, the syndicate that handles the cartoon will not continue to provide such reruns.

Fortunately for Calvin addicts, there have been 13 collections of the cartoons and two more will be released next year.

To give you some idea of how many of us are Calvin nuts, 23 million copies of those books are in print and all were millionaires for their first year. But then, 2,400 newspapers carry the strip internationally.

No one seems to know much about Watterson himself, except that he's 38 and

apparently the most reclusive guy around since J.D. Salinger.

In a press release announcing the demise of the strip, he sounded pretty stuffy to me: "I believe I've done what I can do within the constraints of daily deadlines and small panels. I am eager to work at a more thoughtful pace, with fewer artistic compromises." Whatever he means by that.

His final panel, we're told, may hinge on a drawing he featured in his letter announcing retirement. In the drawing, Calvin and Hobbes are shown being kicked out of a door, clutching each other and leaving a trail of stars as they fly into space. Spaceman Spiff's last hurrah?

I'd hate to think so. While I feel like growling "Arrgh!" at Watterson, I have to thank him for all the years the neighborhood terror and his sidekick; for his teacher, Miss Wormwood; for his classmate and sometimes victim Susie; for babysitter Rosalyn; and for his baffled and long-suffering parents.

The breakfast coffee will never be the same without them, but Bill Watterson, you did light up my life!

Letters to the editor

Help needed for toy drive

TO THE EDITOR:
The past several years, Don's Hardware and Supplies has had a toy drive for the children of the Tri-Cities area. In the past, the support of the community has been overwhelming. We have been able to give away many toys and, hopefully, brighten up the holidays for the children.

This year, as in the past, we are again having our toy drive. However, I am a bit concerned. I recently ran two ads in the paper asking for donations, and, to date, have not received a call. Hopefully, this is due to people not seeing the ads. In past years, the outpouring of support has been overwhelming, and we are looking forward to, and counting on, this support to continue.

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Sincerely,
DONALD CAUGHON
Granite City

Leaf burning a step backward

TO THE EDITOR:
(Editor's note: This letter was written before last week's action on leaf burning in Granite City. The City Council approved the plan to allow it and Mayor Ron Selph announced that he would veto the proposal.)
Granite City was one of the

first, if not the first, cities to ban leaf burning. We have a leaf drop-off and pick-up program and a vacuum truck to suck up leaves.

Since this ban was implemented, Granite City now has nearly 25 percent fewer damaging particles in the air. Karen Lanter, director of the American Lung Association in Madison County, says that if Granite City allows leaf burning, it will be a step backward. I agree with Lanter, but I would say it would be a giant leap backward.

Granite City is now considering allowing leaf burning on a limited basis from Sept. 15 to Dec. 15. This issue narrowly was voted down on first reading 9-5. It needs 10 votes to pass.

I suggest any residents who have opinions on this issue should call city hall or their alderman and let them know how you feel.

MICHAEL RAY DILLIER
Granite City

Let Congress hear public

TO THE EDITOR:
Last week Congress approved severe cuts in funding for Medicare, health and education programs.

What makes this action particularly disturbing is the fact that 81 members of Congress who voted for these cuts have lined up lifetime Congressional pension benefits in excess of \$1 million, including House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who can expect a future Congressional pension of more than \$2 million.

Indeed, some members of Congress who voted for the Medicare cuts can expect Congressional pensions of more than \$3 million.

Three Illinois Congressmen — Rep. Phil Crane, Rep. John Porter and Rep. Henry Hyde — all voted to cut Medicare but can expect to be Congressional pension millionaires, on top of their \$135,600 annual salaries!

There's something fundamentally wrong when members of Congress can raise their own pay by 49 percent since 1989, set up an extravagant pension plan for themselves, hand out huge tax breaks to profitable corporations, and then slick senior citizens and working families with the tab.

This is why I have launched a new petition drive — the American Taxpayer Referendum — to put on the Nov. 5, 1996, general election ballot the following question to Illinois voters:

"Instead of Congress cutting funds for education, health and Medicare, should the members of Congress cut their own salaries, reduce their own pensions, and end corporate welfare as we know it?"

The American Taxpayer Referendum will give Illinois voters a chance to say how they feel about Congressional pay and pensions, corporate welfare and Medicare cuts in a language incumbent Congressmen understand — the language of votes at the ballot box.

Anyone interested in obtaining American Taxpayer Referendum petitions can call 312-654-8888 or write me at P.O. Box 428, Oak Park, IL 60303.

PAT QUINN
Former state treasurer
Democratic candidate
for U.S. Senate

Justice system out of touch

TO THE EDITOR:

There is growing arrogance in the federal justice system. This arrogance is reflected in the desire of some federal judges to have new opulent courthouses built for shallow interests. The U.S. does not need these wily towers of judicial indulgence.

This same arrogance is also being expressed throughout the legal community by opposition to court TV.

Many lawyers have come to realize that the public glare of court TV is bad for their business. This business is put in a bad light for it is devoted to generating more billable hours for lawyers rather than being devoted to providing fair and impartial access to our courts.

This same arrogance has been made that TV cameras transform courtrooms into a circus.

The presence of TV cameras do not transform courtrooms into a circus. The circus was there before TV was introduced.

Many judges and lawyers are adept at creating a circus in a courtroom without the presence of TV. TV in the courtroom is not entertainment, it is the First Amendment right of the public to know.

TV cameras should be allowed in all Illinois courtrooms by the explicit mandate of being incorporated in the U.S. Constitution. (Along with the limits.)

The right of a party in a civil or criminal case to a fair trial is enhanced by court TV trial is enhanced by court TV and increased newspaper subscriptions.

CHARLES D. SULLIVAN
Valmeyer

Letters policy

The Granite City Press-Record/Journal welcomes letters to the editor. The newspaper provides the "Letters" column to give readers an opportunity to voice opinions on various items of interest.

Letters should be brief, preferably less than 10 paragraphs. Typed letters, or letters that are neatly written are given priority treatment. Preference is also given to locally originated letters, but letters from outside the area are accepted. Each letter must be signed and include the telephone number and address of the author. Only the name and city will be printed, but authors may be called for verification purposes.

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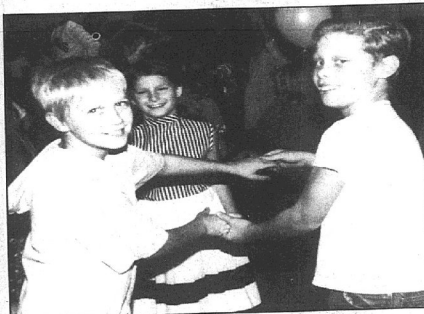
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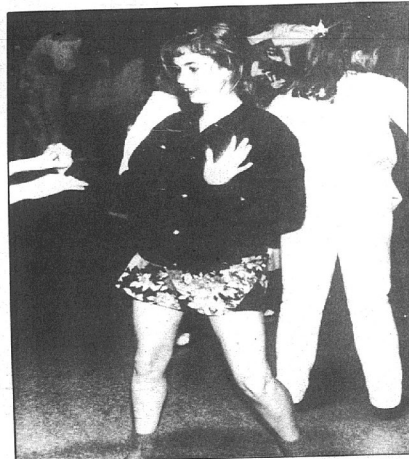
Sock hop, soda pop



Dance time — At right, Marshall Elementary School sixth grader Crystal Weiser dances with fifth grader Jeff Cauble at a sock hop held for students who made it through the month without serving detention for any disciplinary problems. Sixth graders LeAnne Stafford, behind them, and Casey Speece, right, watch. At left, fourth graders Tammie Reed and Amy Dioneda twirl on the dance floor. Below left, Heather Angle and Amanda Dioneda of the fourth grade dance. Many of the students at the sock hop dressed in 1950's-style costumes. Below right, Tara DeGonia, fifth grade, and Jenna Giffin, fourth grade, show off for the camera.



At left, Heather Angle and Tammie Reed of the fourth grade spin to oldies music played for the dance. Above, fourth-graders Edward Brooks and Gabe Davis take to the dance floor wearing the standard 1950's uniform of blue jeans, T-shirts and loafers. At right, sixth grader Brandy Sorenson takes to the dance floor.



Rams quarterback makes a splash in S. Roxana

SOUTH ROXANA — The Trans World Dome had nothing on the noisy South Roxana Elementary gymnasium on a recent Tuesday. Third-grader Nathan Moran's friends did not believe him when he said he was bringing St. Louis Rams quarterback Chris Miller to school. Nathan, 8, won the J.C. Penney/National Football League Take A Player to School contest, but he had a hard time convincing his classmates. He was one of 30 elementary school winners in the nationwide contest held in NFL areas.

"The first person I told, she said, 'Naw, nobody's coming,' and then all my friends were like, 'Well, we'll see,'" he said.

Miller was not about to fumble and

make Nathan look bad. Scrambling to find the school after following bad directions, the quarterback of the most popular pro sports team in the metropolitan area arrived a few minutes late.

As soon as Nathan saw Miller walking toward the door, he knew he had nothing to worry about.

"Yes! He's here!" Nathan shouted. After shaking Miller's hand and chatting for a few minutes, Nathan turned and waived to his classmates who were waiting in the gym and cheering for Miller.

The pupils blitzed Miller with questions. "Does it hurt when people tackle you?" one asked.

"How much does it hurt?" another followed up.

"What if they hit you in the face?" "How did you like playing on the sandpaper?"

"Where's your suit?"

"Are you rich or not rich?" Miller, the father of a 4-month-old daughter, and a 16-month-old son, answered questions like a patient father.

"It hurts real bad (getting tackled)," he said, showing off turf burns on his arms. "If I can recommend one thing, I'd say take up golf, take up tennis."

Miller, a former quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons, told the students he originally signed with the Rams last year to play on the grass field in Los Angeles, but he is still happy to be playing in St. Louis.

"We loved coming out here. The

support has been fantastic," he said.

After the assembly, Miller went to Nathan's classroom to autograph Rams hats provided by J.C. Penney as part of Nathan's prize package.

Nathan seems to be riding a lucky streak. As a first-grader he won a bike and a trip to Springfield for a visit with the secretary of state after his slogan was chosen in a bicycle safety contest, he said.

"You should have signed up for the Ed McMahon \$10 million prize," Miller told him. "You might get it, too."

As part of the Take A Player to School contest, Nathan won a \$1,000 scholarship, which will be presented to him Dec. 17 on the field of the Trans World Dome at the Rams-Redskins game.

Nathan, his brother Nick, 11, and his parents, David and Laurie Moran of Wood River, have free tickets to the game.

"I can't wait!" Nathan said. He no doubt will bring the Rams luck that Sunday, but pupils asked Miller what he does after a disappointing game.

"I like to play with my kids because they don't know what football is yet so they don't care," he said.

Miller said he had a great time in South Roxana.

"I just love kids. They're great," he said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

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Spring Semester 1996 courses start Jan. 13. In simulator courses, a student will use a computer to simulate the conditions that a private or commercial pilot would experience in flight, and simulate instrument problems. These courses enable students to experience the conditions of flight before they fly an actual aircraft.

Students are assigned to work one-on-one with Ernie Lockwood, director of the aviation program, or one of the four other instructors. For more information about the simulator classes call BAC's Aviation department at 235-2700, extension 459, or toll-free in Illinois at 1-800-BAC-5131.

Chief of nurses finds a challenge

Madison County's new chief nurse feels she has found the challenge of a lifetime.

Kay Mueggengurg of Godfrey began working last month as personal health services manager for the county health department that will begin operation in June. Mueggengurg, 45, will help develop and be in charge of the department's infectious and communicable disease programs.

"What an opportunity — to help start a health department," she said. "How

often does that come along?"

A nurse for 25 years, Mueggengurg has been a community health nurse with the Family Service and Visiting Nurse Association for 20 years, the last 14 full time. With FSNVA, she worked in a variety of community health services, including ones involving acquired immune deficiency syndrome, sexually transmitted diseases and family planning.

"The nearest part for me is that it brings many pieces of my life together," she said.

"It's all coming together, and it feels good."

Madison County was the most populous county in Illinois without a health department until the County Board voted last year to establish one. Administrator Donald Brannon has been assembling a staff and, with the help of community volunteers, planning for the department to begin operation next year.

In addition to the programs Mueggengurg will be responsible for, the department

will provide well water monitoring, private sewage inspection and restaurant inspection.

Mueggengurg said her responsibilities include determining whether health services now available are adequate to the county's needs. Many excellent programs are being provided but some needs may be unmet, she said.

Where appropriate, the department will help coordinate efforts of private service providers, Mueggengurg said. And the department will establish programs where needed, she said.

"We will see that quality services are offered around the county," she said. "I don't think the health department has to do it all, but we need to keep linkages going."

She said a big part of her job will be to empower, inform and educate. We will work with the community, but people are responsible for their own behavior," she said, noting that many health problems are preventable.

She said Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will be a valuable resource for the department and that there have been discussions of joint research projects. She is working on a master's degree in nursing at SIUE.

She and her husband, Walter, have two children, a daughter who is an engineer and a son who is in college. They also provide a home for two foreign exchange students from Sarajevo, both now in college.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Road work in Fairview near completion

By Martin Richter
Staff writer

There is good news for residents, businesses and motorists along Ruby Lane in Fairview Heights: A major project to reconstruct the roadway from Ludwig Drive north past the Interstate 64 overpass is nearly completed.

Contractor Theims Construction Co. Inc. of Edwardsville began work on the \$800,000 project in June, Mayor Gail Mitchell said. The project was due for completion the first week of this month, but snags encountered along the way have slowed construction.

Gary Theims of Theims Construction said Friday he hopes the roadway will be opened to through traffic in about two weeks.

Theims said his workers probably will be pouring two strips of concrete along the sides of the roadway on Monday and Tuesday, and then pouring a strip in the middle a few days later. The concrete will need a few days to cure before the roadway can be opened to traffic, he said.

During the curing time, crews will be pouring drive-ways, and there still is some seeding and landscaping to be done, he said.

The project includes a new street, sidewalks and storm sewers. It is tied into the overpass over I-64, and includes new walkways over the bridge, Theims said.

Many motorists use Ruby Lane as a shortcut around the Illinois 158-1-64 interchange, and as a route from the north to the businesses along Lincoln Trail.

Theims said the biggest cause of delays on the project have been problems with utilities, particularly water and gas lines that were in places the contractor didn't expect them.

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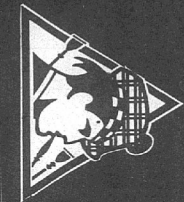
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Clothing, other signs show gang affiliation

By Bob Slata
Staff writer

If your child is doodling gang signs on his book covers or on papers he hangs on the walls of his room, police say, it is time to intervene.

"If they are exhibiting that type of behavior, they are susceptible," said Sgt. Chuck Brueggeman of the Illinois State Police.

Locally, most gang activity is exhibited by two rival factions — a group of Gangster Disciples based in Lincoln Place and a group of white supremacists in East Granite and West Granite, said Detective Rich Werth of the Granite City police department.

Most of that activity involves graffiti and uniform dress, Werth said.

"But every kid that wears colors and gives hand signals isn't necessarily a gang member," Werth said. "If a kid is wearing blue and gold and giving hand signals, he could also be a Cub Scout."

Most recruits join gangs because gang activity is glorified on television, it can be profitable, and it gives disenfranchised children a power they do not have as an individual.

Parents can best prevent their child from becoming involved by showing the child love and attention at home and by becoming familiar with gang dress, symbols and actions, Brueggeman and Werth said.

Gang dress is characterized by "saggin'" (pants worn down on the hips), color and style of shoe, bandannas (or do-rags), sports team jackets and hats and dressing to one side.

Most gangs are affiliated with one of two "families" or

"nations" that originated in prison — "People" and "Folks."

People factions include "Bloods," "Vice Lords," "Stones," "Kings" and "Cobras." Their graffiti is dominated by colors, the number five (often five-pointed stars), crowns, the letters "V" and "L" and pyramids. They prefer the color red, although all gangs wear the color black. They often wear Converse tennis shoes and Starter athletic wear, as both have five-pointed stars in their logos.

Folks factions include "Crips" and "Gangster Disciples." They prefer blue clothing and their graffiti is dominated by three-lined pitchforks, the number six, six-pointed stars and the numbers "7" and "4" (representing "G" and "D," the seventh and fourth letters of the alphabet, for Gangster Disciples).

Crips wear blue, black and gray, especially Raiders, Kings and Royals items. They dress to the right and wear red to wear red.

Bloods wear red, green, black and brown. They wear Oakland Athletics, Chicago Bulls, San Francisco 49ers and Cincinnati Reds sportswear. They dress to the left.

Disciples wear black, blue, red, silver and gray, and dress to the right.

Vice Lords dress to the left in black, red, gold and blue. Gang dress and graffiti often symbolizes disrespect for a rival faction. For example, Crips prefer British Knight athletic shoes because the "BK" logo can stand for "Blood Killer." Gangster Disciple graffiti may include a pitchfork destroying a Vice Lord Star or the inverted letters "VL." Vice Lord

graffiti may include an upside down pitchfork or an "x" through the letters "GD."

Brueggeman can come early in life. Brueggeman said he has seen photographs of newborn children dressed in gang colors, with papers and money surrounding the child and parents standing nearby giving hand-signs.

It is nearly impossible to travel any street or alley in Lincoln Place without seeing some kind of Gangster Disciple graffiti, Werth said.

White supremacist factions, such as the "White Power" and "North Riders" groups in Granite City, appear to be offshoots of neo-Nazi organizations or "skinheads." They are known to terrorize minorities and homosexuals.

Their graffiti often includes swastikas, racial epithets and the letters "KKK." They often dress in leather and wear suspenders and wear earrings and chains.

Local members often tattoo the words "white" and "power" on their fingers. Police busted an illegal tattoo shop set up in the Kirkpatrick Homes housing complex last week for giving tattoos to minors.

The youthful gang member often looks upon his gang as an extended family, providing companionship, money and clothing," Brueggeman said.

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These are two examples of gang graffiti, police said. That on the left is on a building in the 2600 block of Grand; the other is in the 2400 block of State Street.

Gangs

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and by intimidating those who invade that territory. They make money by drug and weapons sales, robberies, burglaries and the "protection" racket, he said.

Students who have a good home life or who participate in athletics or other organized activities are not as susceptible to gang recruitment as those who come from broken homes or are disenfranchised at school, Brueggeman said.

The gangs usually recruit new members by offering them clothing and a larger split of the gang's take from a robbery or drug sale, Brueggeman said.

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In East St. Louis and neighboring communities, he said, it is not unusual for violent acts to be witnessed by a number of law-abiding citizens. But those witnesses usually refuse to provide police with any information for fear of retaliation.

Brueggeman has a signed statement hanging on his office wall made by a man shot twice in the head and twice in the back. The man refused to seek prosecution.

Once a person joins a gang, Brueggeman said, it is difficult to get out.

Werth said he has learned that local gangs have an exit ritual that calls for the death of the former member or a member of his family.

"But we haven't had any deaths (as a result of the rule) so far," Werth said.

Since state police began tracking gang membership about a year ago, more than 50,000 members have been identified, Brueggeman said. He said gangs have attempted to legitimize themselves as political action or religious groups to stop police from legally tracking their activities.

And, Brueggeman said, those activities are profitable. A flyer distributed in East St. Louis advertising a "Growth and Development" seminar (actu-

ally a Gangster Disciple party) attracted an estimated 1,000 people, he said.

When police recently took over a Gangster Disciple marijuana distribution "mail drop" operation in East St. Louis, more than 65 customers were arrested in a three-hour period, Brueggeman said.

Locally, most gang activity has centered around graffiti, uniform dressing and intimidation, Werth said.

About 14 gang members were arrested a couple of weeks ago as a result of a conflict between rival factions at a West Granite food store. Werth said no weapons were used during the fight between Gangster Disciples based in Lincoln Place and white supremacists from West Granite.

He also said St. Louis police compared robbery at a popular Granite City restaurant earlier this year may have been the work of an Asian gang based in St. Louis. The gang may want the owners of the restaurant to pay for protection — insurance against future robberies.

Werth said teachers can be instrumental in halting gang activity by informing police about suspected activity in schools.

Siting

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taken material on the project from the library without permission.

At one point during the hearing, Andria asked developer Michael Vrtis if he had promised anything other than general economic benefits or paid any money to city officials.

Madison City Attorney Casper Nighossian and Vrtis' attorney John Papa objected, and hearing officer Charles King halted the proceedings and told Andria if she had any evidence of wrongdoing, she must immediately give him a statement, which he would take to the State's Attorney's office.

Nothing further came of the matter.

The second part of the resolution deals with materials Vrtis left in the care of the Madison Public Library.

Andria testified during the hearings that she had been given permission to take one book from the library to any Vrtis'.

However, library officials testified that no one had been given permission to take anything.

The next day, Andria returned two documents, and on the last day of the hearings Nighossian said a third document missing from the library showed up in the 96 exhibits Andria tried to submit to the hearing officer.

Nighossian and Papa said they had not heard the news officially, and declined comment. Andria could not be reached.

Who is area's best elected officeholder?

The Quad-Cities area is home to scores of elected officials. Granite City, Madison, Venice and Pontoon Beach are home to elected officials at the township, city and county level, including municipal government, school boards, library boards and park boards.

Residents tend to feel strongly about their elected officials, who set policy that affects daily life and spend hard-earned tax dollars.

We're asking readers of the Granite City Press-Record and Granite City Journal to help us honor the area's best elected official.

Voting began last week for best elected official. The voting is part of our monthly "Best Bet" feature in which we seek the best of a particular category, selected by our readers.

Nominations for Best Bet can come from any community in the Granite City coverage area, including Madison, Mitchell, Venice, Pontoon Beach and Brooklyn.

To vote, call 344-2340 before 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 23 (Thanksgiving). You will be asked to leave a recorded vote. Please include the name of the person you think is the best elected official, as well as his official title and home town. After you've voted, hang up and your vote will be recorded.

The winner will be announced in the Nov. 30 issue of the Press-Record.

In last month's Best Bet contest, for best pastor, the Rev. Eddie Linhart of Foursquare Church took top honors.

Commission will be reduced in size

SPRINGFIELD — Lawmakers have voted to shrink the Illinois Commerce Commission, which regulates public utilities.

A bill to cut the number of commissioners from seven to five passed the House 108-7 and the Senate 38-17. Gov. Jim Edgar supports the change and plans to sign the bill.

There are two vacancies on the commission because of resignations in May.

Edgar has not made the appointments because he supports a smaller commission.

Including reducing the staff assistants to the commissioners, the change will reportedly save \$428,000 a year.

Only three other states have commissions regulating public utilities with more than five members.

The Citizens Utility Board, a consumers advocate, took a neutral position on the legislation.

Current members could either be reappointed or replaced by the governor and no more than three could be from the same political party.

Legislation to cut the ICC was originally proposed in May but was stalled because of vigorous opposition by the Illinois Press Association to a provision that would have changed the Open Meetings Act.

The change would have removed a requirement that two commission members discussing official business had to give notice to the public and press.

No changes to the Open Meetings Act are in the current bill. Historically, the ICC has had five members more often than seven.

The commission was expanded to seven members in 1983 at the end of the legislative session, along with some other paid positions in state commissions.

Several of the new positions were filled by then Gov. Jim Thompson with friends of legislative leaders.

The original Illinois Commerce Commission in 1921 had seven members, but it was reduced to five members in 1933 and stayed that way until the 1983 change.

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Vanzo's to be shut down for 2 weeks; owner fined

The taps at a popular city tavern are headed for a dry spell after alleged illegal gambling activity led to a fatal shooting there.

Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur, who also serves as the city's liquor commissioner, has suspended the liquor license of Vanzo's Taproom for two weeks and ordered its owner, Vicki Vanzo-Stassi, to pay a \$3,000 fine before April 30.

Niebur has given the tavern permission to operate as a restaurant between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. daily. The liquor license suspension took effect at 2:30 a.m. Sunday.

A hearing on the suspension drew a packed crowd in the Edwardsville City Council chambers Friday. Attorney Edward Moorman, who represented Vanzo-Stassi, pleaded no contest to the charges, which eliminated the need for testimony.

Vanzo's was cited in an administrative complaint Nov. 10 after a murder investigation revealed alleged illegal gambling inside the tavern at 132 N. Main St.

"I think it's something we'll have to live with," Moorman said after the hearing. "Every one involved was put in a very difficult situation."

Edwardsville Director of Police Bennett Dickmann, who filed the complaint, said he was satisfied with the action.

"(Niebur's) disposition is more severe than what I expected," he said.

A 59-year-old Edwardsville man, Joseph Pelan, is charged with first-degree murder in the death of 39-year-old James Dodson, who was gunned down on Vanzo's parking lot Oct. 18 after an alleged dispute over

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— Edward Moorman
Attorney

illegal payoffs from a video poker machine.

Lance Jones, a Springfield attorney who presented the Police Department's case, said investigators uncovered the illegal gambling operation while interviewing patrons and bartenders after the shooting.

Edwardsville police discovered a bartender had accidentally overpaid Pelan when he cashed in his points from a poker machine, officials said.

Jones said Pelan was asked to leave the tavern when he refused to return his overpayment. He said tavern employees contacted Vanzo-Stassi at home for advice and the owner reportedly told her employees to let Pelan keep the money but ask him to leave.

When Pelan left the tavern, he was reportedly followed outside by Dodson and another patron who tried to retrieve the money.

Moorman said Vanzo-Stassi would not contest the charges, but he pleaded with Niebur to consider the tavern's upstand down punishment.

"Vanzo's has a long history of operating legally. This is the first offense. Vanzo's has never been cited before."

"There is a wide range of options available... and we hope you bear in mind Vanzo's

is a safe and clean business," he said. "It has never been a nuisance. It has been a real asset to the community."

Moorman also pointed out a petition, signed by 677 city residents, urging Niebur to act with concern and compassion.

Niebur recessed the hearing for 15 minutes before announcing the punishment. He also ordered Vanzo-Stassi to remove all electronic video poker and other similar devices from the tavern through the end of 1996. He said reinstatement of the machines would be at his discretion.

Niebur also took an opportunity to publicly admonish tavern owners who use amusement machines as gaming devices. He said he would send a directive to all liquor licensees and other businesses ordering that any illicit use of the machines be discontinued.

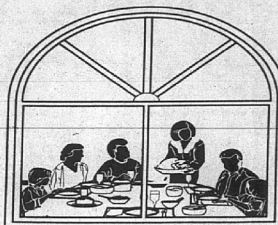
Niebur said failure to comply with the order would result in an investigation by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Dickmann said his department has been tipped off on other potential violators but that it is unaware if other establishments are in violation.

Vanzo-Stassi was indicted by a grand jury last month on a misdemeanor charge of illegal gambling and has entered a not guilty plea.

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educational purpose the school board deems appropriate.

One option would be to upgrade all textbooks that are at least seven years old. That project would cost about \$470,000, school officials said.

The issue would be done in conjunction with refinancing \$12 million in building bonds issued last year.

Voters overwhelmingly approved a referendum authorizing the issue last November. The interest rate at the time of the issue was 6.59 percent. But interest rates have dropped to about 5.5 percent in the past year, prompting Logas to recommend refinancing.

Depending on the rate, the district expects to save about \$212,000 in interest by issuing refunding bonds.

School officials could choose to issue only the refunding bonds. But that would mean the savings would be spread out over the remaining 19 years of the issue. Not only will dollars likely be less valuable in 20 years, but the tax savings works out to less than a penny a year, Logas said.

By issuing working cash bonds, to be repaid with the savings, the district can get its hands on the cash now for a relatively large project — such as the textbooks.

Logas said the district can issue the \$500,000 in Working Cash Fund bonds and still keep the tax rate for debt service below 34 cents per \$100 in assessed valuation — keeping a promise the district made to taxpayers when the \$12 million building bond issue was on the ballot.

"We have millions of dollars in needs — including building renovation not just at the high school but throughout the district, the need to upgrade the textbooks and a commitment to introduce technology at the elementary level. This is the

opportunity to make inroads toward meeting those needs without raising the tax rate," Logas said.

Logas estimates total debt service on the project, including the non-called portion of building bonds, the refunding bonds and the working cash bonds — at \$1,055,400 next year.

Using that figure, the district's assessed valuation would have to decrease by more than 2.3 percent for the tax rate for debt service to

climb above 34.36 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation — the rate for debt service in 1993.

The district's assessed valuation has increased an average of 1.38 percent each year over the last five years. A similar increase would put the bond and interest fund tax rate at 33.11 cents.

Because the district retired a tax financing a previous debt last year prior to the original building bond issue, the tax rate did not increase as a result of the issue.

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Obituaries

Harry Mitchell

Captain Harry "Mitch" Mitchell, 66, of Granite City died at 10:25 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 1995, at his residence, following a one-year illness. He was born June 19, 1929, in Granite City, where he had been a lifelong resident.

A police captain with the city of Granite City for 31 years prior to his retirement in 1985, he served as chief of detective officers.

Mr. Mitchell was a member of the Madison County Police Association, the Police Benevolent Protective Association of Illinois and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1500 in Granite City. He was a Korean War Navy veteran and of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include his wife, Glenda (Fuller) Mitchell, whom he married Feb. 15, 1977; one son, Michael F. Mitchell, of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; five daughters, Toni K. Mitchell of Ignacio, Colo., Lynda A. Pyles, Lisa M. Coleman and Patricia A. Mitchell, all of Granite City, and Mary L. Adams of Troy; his mother, Vivian (White) Mitchell of Granite City; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harry L. Mitchell. Graveside services and burial were to be held at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis County.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Rd. in Granite City, where a memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. today with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating.

Memorials are requested for the Hospice of Madison County.

Sue Doyle

"Sue" Maude Susan (Thomson) Doyle, 58, of Granite City, formerly of Dover, Tenn., died at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she had been a patient for 11 days.

Born Jan. 18, 1937, in Dover, she had been a resident of Granite City for 42 years. A homemaker, she was a volunteer with the Salvation Army in Granite City for four years.

Mrs. Doyle attended kindergarten through eighth grade at Fairview Elementary School in Dover without missing a single day.

Survivors include three daughters, Pamela Sue Knight of Hartford, Tammy Lynn Schupbach of Dallas and Donna Maria Schwen of Duncanville, Texas; four brothers, Milford Thomson of Dover, Freeman Thomson of St. Louis, Eugene Thomson of Edwardsville and Donald Ray Thomson of Granite City; seven sisters, Alene Robertson and Marcella Easton, both of Granite City, Gattie Parrish of Cape Girardeau, Mo., Marjorie Wallace of Hesperia, Calif., and Salie Newman of Union, Mo.; and

Nona Harris and Virginia Joiner, both of Dover; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Allen Matthews Thomson and Lockett Marie (Fitzhugh) Thomson.

Services were to be held at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, at Mount View Presbyterian Church in Dover with the Rev. James Filson and the Rev. David Whitehead officiating. Burial in Mount View Cemetery in Dover. Arrangements by Anglin Funeral Home in Dover.

Local arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

Rosalia Hadaller

Rosalia C. Hadaller, 83, of Granite City, formerly of Effingham, died at 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, 1995, at her residence, following a 20-year illness. She was born Oct. 13, 1912, in Effingham and had been a resident of Granite City for 75 years.

Mrs. Hadaller was of the Protestant faith. Survivors include one brother, Theodore Hadaller of Granite City; one nephew, and three nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary (Aulenbrock) Hadaller; four brothers, Walter, Mathias, George and Marshall Hadaller; and five sisters, Anna Hadaller, Kathryn Cox, Frances Smith, Josephine Murray and Marie Hamilton.

Services were Tuesday at Mercer Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Scott Kroemer officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Joseph Wickham

Joseph "Red" Wickham, 78, of Granite City died Saturday, Nov. 18, 1995. He was born in Chicago, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 55 years.

An international staff representative and sub-district director of United Steel Workers of America, Mr. Wickham began in 1956 servicing the membership of various local unions throughout the greater St. Louis area. In 1973, he was appointed sub-district director in St. Louis, comprising approximately 60 local unions. From 1957 to his retirement, he served and held the position as vice president of both the Missouri State AFL-CIO and the Greater St. Louis Labor Council of the AFL-CIO.

Mr. Wickham was a lifetime Mason, attending Granite City Masonic Lodge 877. He was a past commander and life member of Hesperia, Calif., and Salie Newman of Union, Mo.; and

Army Air Corps veteran. He was an avid bass fisherman, amateur C2 operator and a master story teller.

Survivors include one son, Douglas H. Wickham of Hillsboro, Mo.; two daughters, Mary Jo Akeman of Granite City and Charlotte Hodge of Riverdale, Ill.; and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Pauline Wickham, and his parents, Ray and Lucy (Lorton) Wickham.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, where services are at 10 a.m. Friday.

Gravestone services and burial are at 2:30 p.m. Friday in Iberia Cemetery in Iberia, Mo.

Agnes Jacobs

Agnes (Bartlett) Jacobs, 72, of Fenton, Mo., formerly of Washington Park, died Sunday, Nov. 19, 1995. She was born Nov. 5, 1923, in East St. Louis.

Cow-owner of Jacobs Tavern in Washington Park for 20 years, she was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Auxiliary in Arnold, Mo. Survivors include her husband, August Jacobs; three daughters, Karen (Paul) Mooney of Fenton, Rusty Schank of Granite City and Peggy Munton of High Ridge, Mo.; two brothers, William "Jack" Bartlett Jr. of Ava, Ill., and Frank Bartlett of Alton; four sisters, Ellen Newton and Francine King, both of Ava; Mary Dolores Rhynne of Alton and Peggy Rhynne of Cahokia; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Marie (Spain) Bartlett.

4 more indicted in federal drug case

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Four additional defendants have been indicted in a federal drug case involving two Granite City residents.

That brings the total number of defendants in the case to 18. All were charged with conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. One, Don Steven Skaggs of Granite City, was also charged with money laundering.

Eight of those, including Skaggs and his wife Sherie Lee Skaggs, have pleaded guilty. The superseding indictment was handed down by a federal grand jury in East St. Louis Monday. The four additional defendants were Mark Vinicio Duarte, 26, and Douglas Eugene More, 24, both of Morono Valley, California; Isaac Everett Marshall, 33, of St. Louis; and Larry Dowdy, age and address unknown.

The original indictments were handed down on Jan. 20. If convicted, the defendants face a sentence of 10 years to life, and fines of up to \$5 million.

Prosecutors are also seeking the forfeiture of real estate, automobiles and \$1.8 million. The property and money is alleged to be either proceeds of or used in the illegal activity.

He later surrendered to U.S. Marshals. If convicted, he faces a maximum five years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine and two years supervised release.

Funeral summary

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

FRANKLIN, Laura E. (Allen), 83, of Granite City died at 1:45 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, 1995, at Caseyville Nursing Home, Caseyville. Services were Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Allen Reiter. Burial in Wanda Cemetery, South Roxana.

HEFFERLY, Lillie Mae (Hughes), 87, of Fenton, Calif., died at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1995, at Whittier Medical Center, Whittier, Calif. Graveside

Services were to be held at 1 p.m. today, Wednesday, at Caseyville Mortuary, 989 St. Clair Ave. in Fairview Heights, with the Rev. Walter Eveland officiating. Burial in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis County.

Ruby Wallace

Ruby M. Wallace, 83, of Granite City died at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Born March 21, 1912, she was of the Protestant faith.

Arrangements are pending with Werner Chapel for Funeral, 3939 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach, 797-1000.

Sarah Watson

Sarah E. Watson, 81, of Granite City, formerly of Mitchell, died at 11 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20, 1995, at Wood River Township Hospital in Wood River.

She was born Sept. 11, 1914, in Coater, Mo., and had been a resident of Mitchell for 30 years.

A homemaker, she had worked for several years in the cotton fields of southeast Missouri. Mrs. Watson was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include two sons, Tommy Harrell of Campbell, Mo., and Joe Chesheire of Rock Hill, S.C.; one daughter, Peggy Parker of Granite City; one brother, Lawrence Turner of Clarkston, Mo.; one sister, Carrie of Gideon, Mo.; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest Watson, who died in May 1973; one daughter, Geneva Byrum, who died in 1973; and her parents, Martin Van Buren Turner and Nellie Lee (Summers) Turner. Other brothers, Martin, Bud, Bill and Milton Turner, and

three sisters, Della Harrell, Iness Chamblin and Hattie Sherman, all of Granite City.

Visitation is from 4 to 9 p.m. today, Wednesday, at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach. No visitation will be held Thursday.

Services are at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Eddie Linhart officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Bradley K. Dodd, 47, of Granite City died at 1:15 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1995, at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis after being ill since May. He was born Sept. 4, 1948, in Waynesville, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 28 years.

A millwright with Granite City Steel for 23 years, he was a Vietnam War veteran and of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Louise H. (Coplin) Dodd, whom he married Feb. 5, 1972; one son, Steven Dodd of Glen Carbon; two daughters, Janice Wade of Alton and Tracy Dodd of Granite City; his father Willie Dodd of Holt Summit, Mo.; six brothers, Robert David of Granite City, Bill Dodd of Chellula, Fla., Barry Dodd of O'Fallon, George Dodd of Texas, Steve Dodd of Belleville and Harold Dodd, stationed in Japan with the United States Air Force; two sisters, Chrystal David of Las Vegas, Nev., and Jackie Dodd of Williamsburg, Mo.; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lindell and Catherine David and Alleen (David) Dodd; and one brother, David Dodd, who died in 1974.

Per Mr. Dodd's request, his remains were cremated. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 24, at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach with the Rev. Richard Lay officiating. The remains to be buried in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis County.

Eugenia M. (Jilek) Stanfill, 73, of Granite City died at 7:59 a.m. Monday, Nov. 20, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she had been a patient for one day.

Mrs. Stanfill was born Aug. 30, 1922, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident. A homemaker, she was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City, the Friends Club, Daughters of Isabella and the Knights of Columbus Council 1098 Auxiliary in Granite City, where she had served as president.

Survivors include her husband, John F. Stanfill, whom she married Aug. 14, 1948, in Granite City; five sons, David Stanfill of Bureau, Pa., Richard Thomas Stanfill of Ladson, S.C., and Gregory and Wesley Stanfill, both of Granite City; two daughters, Marianne Hays of Granite City and Cathy Wittig of Las Vegas; one brother, Leon Jilek of Naples, Fla.; one sister, Gladys Strackelmann of Edwardsville; and 17 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Mary (Stille) Jilek; one sister, Bernice Jilek; and one grandson.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 24, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, where a prayer service will be held at 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Services are at 9 a.m. Saturday at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2006 Washington Ave. in Granite City, with the Rev. Thomas White officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for C.U.R.E. for Leukemia or St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Emmett Dierkes

Emmett C. Dierkes, 82, of Granite City died at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1995, at Sunset Hill Care Center in Union, Mo., where he had been a patient for 17 months.

Mr. Dierkes was born June 2, 1913, in Venice and had been a lifelong resident of Granite City.

A pattern maker with Granite City Steel for 30 years prior to his retirement in 1976, he served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946. He was of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian Ilené (Hill) Dierkes, whom he married March 11, 1953, in Bourbon, Mo.; two daughters, Janet Ezell of Venice and Dorothy Taylor of Granite City; one stepson, Paul Cain of Tucson, Ariz.; one stepdaughter, Pat Lampson of Granite City; one brother, Ralph Dierkes of Cedar Rapids, Mo.; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Pamela Conway.

Services were Monday at Mercer Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. Robert DeGrand officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for the American Heart Association.

Health screenings offered Dec. 12

Blood pressure, sugar and cholesterol tests and valuable information will be available during St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Advantage Kickoff.

The event takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the gym, located on the lower level of the Kettler Building at SEMC, 2100 Madison Ave. in Granite City.

Representatives from the SEMC departments offering discounts to members will be on hand to answer questions. Refreshments will also be served.

Drama Sunday at Foursquare

The Granite City Foursquare Church will be holding a drama presentation Sunday, Nov. 26th.

The featured players, a drama team from Church on the Way in California, will be performing at 10:30 a.m. at the church, located at 12th and Edwardsville Road in Granite City.

Local band wins contest

"Premonition," a band with members based in Granite City, won a "Battle of the Bands" contest held at St. East Alton-Wood River High School Nov. 10.

The band features Freddie Kudekka, New Basul, Sam Kampheffer and Sonny Aaron (standing in for Casey Ashby).

Burglaries

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at 30th Street and Washington Avenue and in the 2700 block of Center Street.

Connor said the alleged burglars broke out car windows to gain access to most of the vehicles.

Two sets of socket wrenches were taken from a car in the 2100 block of Pontoon Road. Connor said the burglars took the items while the car they were in broke down and was being repaired at a garage about a block away.

When the car broke down again at 30th and Iowa streets, about five vehicles were burglarized on the church parking lot about a block away, Connor said. The items taken included a tire tool and a turquoise necklace, he said. The tire tool was later recovered in Teller's car, Connor said.

Five vehicles were also broken into at the 2700 block of Center Street. A cellular telephone taken was later recovered in Teller's back yard, Connor said.

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Mayor Bush explains gambling positives on 'Good Morning'

By Mike Viola
Staff writer

The impact of riverboat gambling on East St. Louis was discussed on "Good Morning America" last week.

The ABC morning show was in St. Louis last Wednesday as part of a trip to various cities in the country.

During the St. Louis show, a discussion about riverboat gambling was held with Mayor Gordon Bush explaining the positive impact the industry has had on East St. Louis.

"Three years ago our city was on the verge of bankruptcy and riverboat gambling allowed us to rebuild itself," Bush said.

Joan Lunden conducted the interview.

Joining Bush in the discussion was Mark Andrews of Citizens for Life and Liberty, an anti-gambling organization.

Andrews raised concerns about the addictive nature of gambling. He said he believes there

is significant concern about how it can affect young people.

"Young people try and emulate what adults do and if they (parents) are gambling then the kids want to gamble," Andrews said.

Andrews also raised concerns about corruption at the state level where gambling lobbyists have too much power.

Bush said East St. Louis worked hard to make sure that the addition of riverboat gambling did not bring in undesirable business to the city.

"There was some people who wanted to open topless places when the gambling boat came and we simply said no," Bush said.

He also noted that area churches have been asked to work with local residents to make sure that gambling activity is only recreational and not compulsive.

"We feel like East St. Louis is the model of what can happen when gambling is run right," Bush said.

Since the Casino Queen opened, the city has been receiving about \$1 million each month in additional tax revenue.

That revenue has been used to upgrade the police and fire departments as well as to

reduce real estate taxes in the city.

Bush also noted that the riverboat has created more interest in developing the riverfront including a new professional caliber golf course and a proposed 350 room hotel.



THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

When a person is bitten by a dog, normally the owner of the dog and the person who owned the property where the attack occurred will both be sued. In cases of this nature, the question frequently arises as to whether both the dog owner and the landowner can be held liable for the injuries sustained by the victim. A recent case helped clarify this matter.

In this case, a 27 month-old child was bitten by a dog named Samson in 1990. At the time of the attack, the dog was owned by one defendant (David Herborn) who had chained the dog to a tree in the other defendant's (Conna Ring) yard. The child went up to Samson and began petting the dog on its back. The dog jumped on top of the child and inflicted several bites.

The mother of the child sued the owner of the dog and the owner of the property. The landowner testified that the dog had been on her property on only one prior occasion, approximately one week before the incident. The evidence at trial also established that the landowner did not care for Samson or give him food or water.

Furthermore, she had never seen Samson growl at, chase, or bite anyone.

In a case of this nature, the real issue is not whether the owner of the dog can be held liable for the injuries but rather whether the landowner is responsible. The Animal Control Act requires that an injury be caused by an animal "owned" by the defendant. The Act defines "owner" as "any person having a right of property in a dog, or who keeps or harbors a dog, or who has it in its care, or acts as its custodian." The term "owner" has been consistently construed by the courts to involve some measure of care, custody or control.

In this case, the Court found that the landowner was not the "owner" of Samson within the meaning of the statute. It was clear from the evidence that the dog owner took care of Samson's food and water and that the landowner did not need to take care of these matters. Since the owner of the land did not exercise any level of care, custody or control over the dog, she could not be held liable for the injuries sustained.

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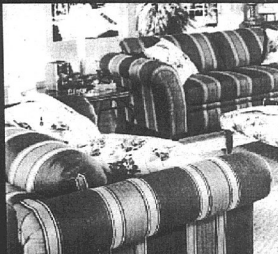
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Sports

Section B
November 23, 1995
GRANITE CITY PRESS-RECORD

Warriors bomb Burroughs

Granite City skaters run Mid-States mark to 4-0

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

Still, the hockey Warriors await some competition. That could have been the case on Monday night, but instead Granite City pushed aside John Burroughs 9-3 in its home opener.

Granite City is 4-0 on the season and still waiting to play a club that will present a challenge. Burroughs could have been that team, but many players either transferred away or graduated, leaving the team depleted.

THE RESULT WAS another dominating effort by the Warriors, who have now outscored their Mid-States Club Hockey

Granite City 9, John Burroughs 3	1	0	2-3
JOHN BURROUGHS	1	0	2-3
1st period - 1, GCHS - Scroggins 1 (Guffey), 2:35. 2B - Conner 1 (Guffey), 7:58. 3, GCHS - Guffey 6 (Reeves), 10:20. 4, GCHS - Guffey 6 (Reeves), 12:15.			
2nd period - 5, GCHS - Guffey 7 (unassisted), 2:05. 6, GCHS - Guffey 7 (unassisted), 3:30. 7, GCHS - Guffey 7 (unassisted), 4:15. 8, GCHS - Reeves 2 (Guffey), 4:45. 9, GCHS - Guffey 8 (Miskelley, Reeves), 5:25.			
3rd period - 11, 2B - Waddell 1 (Guffey), 6:45. 12, 2B - Waddell 1 (Guffey), 7:45. 13, 2B - Waddell 1 (Guffey), 8:45. 14, 2B - Waddell 1 (Guffey), 9:45.			
GRANITE CITY	9	3	2-3
BURROUGHS	3	9	2-3
GRANITE CITY	9	3	2-3

Association opponents by a combined 33-7. Mikal Guffey led the way with an inspired effort, scoring four goals and adding an assist. Aaron Reeves broke a mild scoring slump with two

goals and an assist. Bobby Fritchard had a goal and two assists, as did Kevin Nenninger, and Travis Scroggins added a goal and an assist.

Tony Evans made 23 saves for his second win of the season, as the Warriors were at least matched in shots on goal. Each team registered 26 shots.

THE ONLY NEGATIVE coach Dave Yurkovich could point to was his team's letdown after the Warriors took a 9-1 lead halfway through the game.

"We thought they'd be a little more competition for us," he said. "The way we're playing right now, we need more of that. Hopefully, our offense

will keep going, and we'll keep working hard. Defensively, I thought we picked up our game somewhat tonight. We just had a letdown after we got so far up."

"Going into the game, we didn't know if they'd be good or not," said assistant coach Will Connolly. "That at least let us prepare the kids for a good team. They responded pretty well, and actually the first and third periods were competitive."

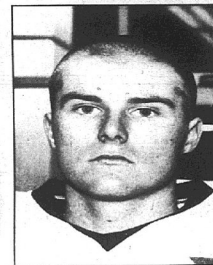
It took just over two minutes for the Warriors to get rolling. Guffey picked up his first point of the night when he fed Travis Scroggins at the point for a booming slapper that gave the Warriors a 1-0 lead.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Chris Angle (right) congratulates Mikal Guffey after a goal during Monday's 9-3 win over John Burroughs. Guffey had four goals to lead the Warriors to their fourth straight win.



Mikal Guffey
4 goals

Guffey nets hat trick in home opener

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

Mikal Guffey could not be tracked down for a comment following Monday night's Mid-States Club Hockey Association game against John Burroughs. But then again, Guffey couldn't be caught by anyone Monday night.

The Warriors' junior forward was a man possessed on Monday, as he scored four goals — including a natural hat trick — and added an assist in the easy 9-3 win over Burroughs.

GUFFEY USED HIS speed and strength numerous times to break in on left wing and curl his way in front of the net

for point-blank shots. "I don't know what got into him tonight," said coach Dave Yurkovich. "He was really skating and working. I don't know if he had some extra motivation or what, but he was fantastic."

"He was really lit up, that's for sure," said assistant coach Will Connolly. "I haven't a clue what made the difference for him tonight, I just know it's the hardest he's worked and the most scoring chances he's had this season. And every chance he had, except maybe one in the third period, he converted on."

Guffey's four-goal, five-point night gave him huge numbers for this season. In four games,

he has eight goals and three assists.

IN FACT, Guffey's line, the Warriors' No. 2 line, had its biggest night of the young season in the team's home opener. Aaron Reeves awoke from a slump to tally twice, 24 seconds apart in the second period. Reeves and linemate David Miskelley teamed up to assist Guffey on his fourth tally.

"Reeves forechecked well," Yurkovich said. "Sometimes Aaron sits back too much and waits for the play to come to him. But he picked up his game, and that first goal he scored made a huge difference."

(See GUFFEY, Page 3B)

Mt. Carmel eliminates Flyers

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

CHICAGO — The East St. Louis Flyers had their bubble burst in a big way Saturday, as they fell to the monstrous Mt. Carmel Caravan 57-27 in a Class 5A semifinal football game played at Gately Stadium.

It was the end to a dream season for the Flyers (9-4), which saw them lose their long-time coach — only to recover and win nine straight games.

BUT MT. CARMEL (12-1), which advances to the Class 5A final to play Park Ridge Maine South, was too much for the Flyers to handle. The Caravan will face Maine South on Saturday at Hancock Stadium in Normal.

"Too big, too strong, too well coached, and too much good execution," said East Side coach Edmund Jones, who finishes his first season 9-2 after replacing Bob Shannon at the Flyers' helm. "Now we have seen what it takes to make it to the next level, and we know where we have to go from here."

"There were certain things that we can do better, but overall this is the best we've looked this year," said Caravan coach Frank Lenti. "Our offensive line really got off the ball quickly, and it allowed us to play our style of game."

THAT STYLE BEING line 'em up and push 'em back. Mt. Carmel's offensive line averages an immense 6-2, 240 pounds — numbers more suited for a college program.

Actually, the Flyers looked like a team capable of scoring 20 in the first quarter, when they held a 15-7 lead. Kevin Beard, who rushed for 183

(See FLYERS, Page 3B)

Coaches name Janek All-State

Statewide association honors GCHS lineman

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

It's been a wonderful year of football for GCHS senior Chris Janek, and even though the season is over, it keeps getting better.

Last week, Janek was named to the Illinois High School Coaches Association's 1995 All-State team by coaches voting across the state. Janek becomes the first Granite City football player ever given the award.

LARRY CURRY JR. was voted all-state by the Chicago Tribune in 1991, but no Warrior has ever previously received this kind of recognition from the coaches.

GCHS football coach Don Harris was informed by letter of the decision, and he called the Janek household to make sure everyone was home. Harris went over to the Janek home and read the letter aloud. "Everyone was so excited," said Harris, "and I was too. Chris was so excited he gave me a big hug right there."

"I had to, I was so pumped up," said Janek, who at 6-foot-3 and 267 pounds can give quite a hug. "It felt great. All of the hard work over the last four years finally paid off for me."

JANEK PLAYED on both sides of the ball this year, as a guard and tackle. He recorded 44 solo tackles, 10 assists and three sacks — good numbers for a down lineman, but even better when one considers



Chris Janek
GCHS senior

opposing teams ran their offenses away from Janek. "It made me mad when they would purposely run away from me," Janek said. "But I guess the coaches realize that, so it's no big deal."

"I thought I had a pretty decent year, but I could have done better. We all played pretty well this year, and we came together at the end of the season."

THE COACHES' HONOR should come in handy for Janek, who is being heavily recruited by a bevy of Division I schools. Janek made a trip to Wisconsin last week, and has a visit scheduled for December at the University of Missouri. (See JANEK, Page 3B)



Granite City senior wrestler Chris Janek (left) hopes to return to the state tournament, where he placed sixth as a junior last season with a 43-6 record.

Warriors' heavyweight aiming high

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

While Chris Janek can dream about piling football, he has to concentrate on wrestling.

Janek, a 6-3, 267-pound senior lineman, is also Granite City's varsity heavyweight wrestler. Janek is looking to build on his appearance at state last year to carry him to even greater heights this season. As a junior, Janek went 43-6 and placed sixth in the IHSAA individual state tournament.

ONE OF THE better one-on-one battles last year in area wrestling was between Janek and Lincoln heavyweight Jan Yates. Yates has since graduated, and Janek said he isn't

really concerned with any heavyweight in the area. "(Belleville) West has got (B.J.) Berlesman, but I can take him," Janek said. "I'm not worried about anybody. I just have to take care of myself."

Joining Chris on the varsity team this year is his younger brother Jonas, who will be wrestling at 145 pounds as a sophomore.

"He just made the varsity last Saturday," Chris said, "and I was glad to hear that. That'll be fun wrestling with him at every meet."

REALISTICALLY, Chris has a chance to do something rare: If he can make it back to the state wrestling meet and do well, he has a chance to become an all-state athlete in

two sports.

In fact, John and Janice Janek are developing quite a sports-minded family. Besides the two older sons, little brother Jacob is involved in football at the sixth grade level, and daughter Jeannina is involved in cheerleading.

It's no secret that the Janeks are highly involved in GCHS sports. They can be seen at nearly every sporting event.

"The Janeks have been real supportive of Chris throughout his career," said GCHS coach Don Harris. "They have always been there for him, and where he is today. It's a good situation for everyone."

HARRIS MADE SURE everyone was home before he (See HEAVYWEIGHT, Page 3B)

Trivial matters

1. Peoria Manual enters this season in search of its third straight Illinois Class AA state basketball title. What is the only Class AA or Class A school to win three straight titles?

2. With 23 sectional basketball titles, Collinsville ranks second on the all-time list. Which school holds the record for most sectional titles won?

Answers at right.

Community Sports Calendar

IAF baseball camp

The International Athletic Foundation will be hosting a youth baseball camp Dec. 26-29 at two locations: The Ball Park in O'Fallon and Gateway Indoor Complex in St. Louis. The camp is for players ages 9-14. The cost is \$125 and includes lunch each day, a camp T-shirt, a participation certificate and an autographed photo from St. Louis Cardinals pitcher T.J. Mathews.

Mathews, a Columbia native, will be a special instructor for two days at each site. For more information, call Jim Turner at (314) 645-5496.



Coming up

Lady Warriors, Madison meet
Geeta Kumar (left) and the Lady Warriors will visit Madison in a nonconference game Monday.

Trivia answers

1. East St. Louis Lincoln (1987-89).
2. Quincy (28).

Stats 'n' stuff

Sports shorts

MAC basketball signups
The Mitchell Athletic Club is sponsoring basketball program sign-ups for youths this year. Sign-ups will be for boys or girls in grades 3-6 and also boys in grades 7-8.

There will be separate leagues for boys and girls, with teams grouped by grades. Third and fourth graders will play together, and fifth and sixth graders will be paired together.

Registration will be held at Gene's Barber Shop in Mitchell, one block east of Mitchell School, from 7:30 p.m. Nov. 23. The registration fee is \$20 per child. For more information, call Kevin Cripps at 931-6418, Dave Slay at 931-3690 or Larry Monroe at 797-1532.

Pepsi indoor tourney
The Pepsi Cola Indoor Soccer Holiday Classic Tournament will be held Dec. 22, 1995 through Jan. 2, 1996 at the Concord Indoor Sports Complex in St. Louis County.

All age brackets will be represented, in recreational and select levels. The tournament draws teams from the entire St. Louis metro area, including Illinois.

For more information, call John at 314-391-7227, Ron at 314-394-2029 or the Concord Sports Complex at 314-842-5153.

Thanksgiving soccer tourney
Epiphany Sports Association in St. Louis will hold a soccer tournament over Thanksgiving weekend for boys and girls CYC and recreational teams from kindergarten through sixth grade.

For an application or more information, call Tom Noser at (314) 647-0910.

Mariners tryouts
The Mariners baseball team is seeking players who will not have reached age 15 by July 1, 1996 for the 1996 baseball season. The Mariners plan to play at 20-30 game schedule, as well as a number of tournaments. For further information, call 288-3044.

Comets basketball
The St. Louis Comets girls' AAU basketball club will hold tryouts for girls born in 1985 and 1986. The tryouts are open to girls throughout the St. Louis area. For more information, call Rick at 314-837-2379 or Sue at 314-355-3590.

St. Louis Stars softball
The St. Louis Stars 18-under fastpitch softball team is seeking players for the 1996 season. Players should be interested in participating in a competitive select program.

The Stars are also looking for college-age players for its women's fastpitch team. For more information, call Hank at (314) 843-9633.

Mavericks softball
The Mavericks 18-under softball team is seeking a pitcher and a position player for the 1996 season. For more information, call (314) 845-2393.

Mathews at baseball camp
The International Athletic Foundation will be hosting a youth baseball camp Dec. 26-29 at two locations: The Ball Park in O'Fallon and Gateway Indoor Complex in St. Louis. The camp is for players ages 9-14. The cost is \$125 and includes lunch each day, a camp T-shirt, a participation certificate and an autographed photo from St. Louis Cardinals

pitcher T.J. Mathews. Mathews, a Columbia native, will be a special instructor for two days at each site. He played on an IAF team that traveled to Mexico to compete in the Mexico Olympic Week in 1990 during his college playing days. Other instructors include Bob Hughes from St. Louis University, Ric Lessman from Washington University and Todd Whaley from Meramec Community College.

The winter camp is being followed by a camp at Easter from April 8-11, 1996 and then an eight-week camp in the summer running each week in June and July.

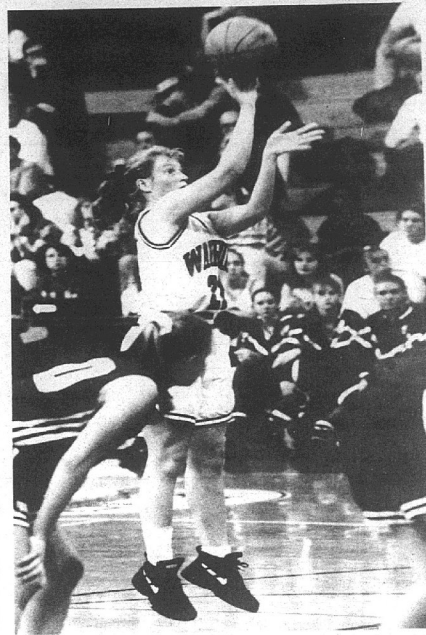
For more information, call Jim Turner at (314) 645-5496.

ASA softball leagues
Kirkwood (Mo.) Athletic Association will have ASA softball leagues in 1996 for girls fastpitch teams in the 6-U, 8-U, 10-U, 12-U, 14-U, 16-U and 18-U age groups.

A 12-game scheduled will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays with a cost of \$600 per team and no fund-raisers. Additionally, KAA will have three tournaments and each KAA league team will get a free entry into one of these tournaments.

For more information, call Don Looker at (314) 870-5551.

RJ Krause All-Stars
The R.J. Krause All-Stars Sports Club of East St. Louis is in need of basketball games and tournaments for teams in grades 3-8 for boys and girls. The club also needs sports equipment and uniforms for all sports and cheerleaders. For more information, call Richard "R.J." Krause at 398-1201 or write to 820 N. 71st St., East St. Louis, IL, 62203.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Granite City's Carrie Simpson puts up a shot.

Football

Southwestern Conference			
Team	W	L	Overall
East St. Louis	5	0	9-4
Belleville East	4	1	4-8
Collinsville	2	3	3-6
Belleville West	2	3	2-7
Granite City	2	3	2-7
Alton	0	5	1-8

Saturday, Nov. 18			
Playoffs			
Chicago Mount Carmel	57	East St. Louis	27

Cahokia Conference			
Team	W	L	Overall
Waterloo	6	0	8-2
Carlyle	5	1	9-4
Frederick	4	2	9-4
Breese Central	4	2	9-4
Dupo	2	4	2-7
Columbia	1	5	2-7
Red Bud	0	6	0-9

Saturday, Nov. 18			
Playoffs			
Du Quoin	21	Frederick	7

Mississippi Valley Conference			
Team	W	L	Overall
Civic Memorial	5	1	10-1
Highland	4	2	8-3
Jerseyville	4	2	7-3
Triad	4	2	6-4
Mascoutah	2	4	3-6
Wood River	1	5	3-6
Itasca	1	5	1-8

South Seven Conference			
Team	W	L	Overall
OTW	5	0	9-1
Cahokia	4	1	8-2
Centralia	4	2	8-3
Marion	2	3	2-7
Carbondale	1	5	2-7
Mount Vernon	0	6	2-7

Independents			
Team	W	L	Overall
Edwardsville	11	1	4
Albion	6	4	4
St. Lincoln	5	2	3
Metro East Lutheran	1	3	3

Football

PREP PLAYOFFS

Class 6A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 27
Downers Grove South 23, Palatine Fremd 15

Naperville Central 19, Hinsdale Central 19
Romeoville 31, Chicago Brother Rice 22
Pekin 40, Moline 8
Rooseville 48, Chicago Clemente 0
Lindenschire Stevenson 46, Chicago Young 6

Wheaton Warrenville South 28, St. Charles 7
Glenview Glenbrook South 34, Chicago Cune 0
Naperville North 33, New Lenox Lincoln Way 3

Class 5A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 27
Chicago Heights Marian 13, Chicago Simon 6
Schaumburg 26, Darien Hinsdale South 16

Winnetka New Trier 12, Waukegan 0
Elmhurst York 28, Elgin Lutheran 18
Evanston 30, Chicago Dunbar 18
Lake Forest 42, Chicago Vocational 14
Orland Park Sandburg 21, Harvey Thon 10-14

Palatine 12, Libertyville 6
SECOND ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Naperville Central 40, Downers Grove South 21

Romeoville 36, Pekin 34
Elmhurst York 20, Lindenschire Stevenson 14

Class 4A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 28
Naperville North 45, Lake Forest 20
Winnetka New Trier 15, Roosevelt Lake Park 13

Glenbrook South 27, Evanston 29
Wheaton Warrenville South 21, Palatine 18

Class 3A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Bolingbrook 37, Lake Zurich 16

QUARTERFINALS
Friday, Nov. 10
Naperville Central 35, Naperville North 12

Saturday, Nov. 11
Wheaton Warrenville South 28, Glenbrook South 12
Romeoville 22, Orland Park Sandburg 0
Elmhurst York 6, Winnetka New Trier 0

SEMIFINALS
Friday, Nov. 17
Naperville Central 41, Romeoville 21

Saturday, Nov. 18
Wheaton Warrenville South 29, Elmhurst York 7

Class 5A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 27
Chicago Heights Marian 13, Chicago Simon 6
Schaumburg 26, Darien Hinsdale South 16

Winnetka New Trier 12, Waukegan 0
Elmhurst York 28, Elgin Lutheran 18
Evanston 30, Chicago Dunbar 18
Lake Forest 42, Chicago Vocational 14
Orland Park Sandburg 21, Harvey Thon 10-14

Palatine 12, Libertyville 6
SECOND ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Naperville Central 40, Downers Grove South 21

Romeoville 36, Pekin 34
Elmhurst York 20, Lindenschire Stevenson 14

Class 4A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 28
Naperville North 45, Lake Forest 20
Winnetka New Trier 15, Roosevelt Lake Park 13

Glenbrook South 27, Evanston 29
Wheaton Warrenville South 21, Palatine 18

Class 3A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Bolingbrook 37, Lake Zurich 16

Edwardville 40, Cahokia 12

Saturday, Nov. 4
Chicago Mt. Carmel 10, Rockford Boylan 6
Ottawa 27, Chicago Mather 0
East St. Louis 37, Kankakee Bishop McNamara 29

Oak Park Fenwick 20, Winnetka Loyola 7
Chicago St. Rita 10, Chicago Heights Marian 8
Moline South 45, Danville 13

QUARTERFINALS
Saturday, Oct. 18
Chicago Mt. Carmel 30, Ottawa 20
East St. Louis 32, Edwardville 26
Fenwick 7, Bolingbrook 0
Moline South 18, Chicago St. Rita 8

SEMIFINALS
Saturday, Oct. 18
Chicago Mount Carmel 57, East St. Louis 27
Moline South 24, Oak Park Fenwick 21 (OT)

Class 4A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 27
Chicago Robert 34, Chicago Harper 0
Oak Lawn Richards 45, Chicago Calumet 0

Washington 16, Canton 6
Peoria Central 34, Springfield 13
Metamora 21, Morton 0
Bethalto Civic Memorial 25, Decatur Eisenhower 13

Springfield Lanier 24, Jerseyville 21
Midlothian Bremen 18, Oswego 14
Joliet Catholic 7, Mendon Carmel 6
Kankakee 18, Lansing F.F. South 13
Morris 7, Minooka 3

QUARTERFINALS
Friday, Nov. 10
Oak Lawn Richards 45, Midlothian Bremen 6
New Lenox Providence 46, Kankakee 6

Saturday, Nov. 11
Metamora 20, Sterling 0
Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 13, Bethalto Civic Memorial 0

SEMIFINALS
Friday, Nov. 17
New Lenox Providence 17, Oak Lawn Richards 0

Champaign Centennial 14, Peotone 6

Saturday, Oct. 28
Sterling 15, Peoria Richwoods 13
Highland 26, Tule 29
Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 40, Springfield Southeast 7

New Lenox Providence 60, Park Forest Rich East 6

SECOND ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Midlothian Bremen 13, Chicago Robeson 12
Metamora 14, Washington 13
Oak Lawn Richards 16, Joliet Catholic 7
Kankakee 30, Morris 22

New Lenox Providence 43, Champaign Centennial 6

Saturday, Nov. 4
Sterling 28, Peoria Central 14
Bethalto Civic Memorial 14, Highland 0
Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 25, Springfield Lanier 21

QUARTERFINALS
Friday, Nov. 10
Oak Lawn Richards 45, Midlothian Bremen 6
New Lenox Providence 46, Kankakee 6

Saturday, Nov. 11
Metamora 20, Sterling 0
Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 13, Bethalto Civic Memorial 0

SEMIFINALS
Friday, Nov. 17
New Lenox Providence 17, Oak Lawn Richards 0

Saturday, Nov. 18

Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 20, Metamora 6

Class 3A FIRST ROUND
Friday, Oct. 27
Hillboro 41, Clinton 6
Harvard 20, Marengo 0
Normal U-High 22, Clinton Central 20

Saturday, Oct. 28
Woodstock Marian 35, LaGrange Park Nazareth 6
Lombard Montini 30, Evergreen Park 0
Spring Valley Hall 28, Mendota 7
Bureau Mater Dei 20, Mahomet-Seymour 8
Macomb 40, Carlville 0
Benton 21, Robinson 12

Du Quoin 33, Olney East Richland 7
Freeburg 25, Waterloo 8
Mount Carmel 29, Murphysboro 20
Fairfield 30, West Frankfort 26
Pontiac 26, Bloomington Central Catholic 14

Coal City 21, Monmouth 0
Maize Park Kentland 21, Addison Discoit 0

SECOND ROUND
Friday, Nov. 3
Normal U-High 36, Pontiac 8

Saturday, Nov. 4
Lombard Montini 27, Maple Park Kendall 21 (OT)
Woodstock Marian 38, Harvard 6
Spring Valley Hall 34, Coal City 7
Du Quoin 25, Fairfield 16
Mt. Carmel 28, Benton (8-2) 0
Hillboro 22, Macomb 19
Freeburg 28, Bureau Mater Dei 21

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•Warriors

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Burroughs tied the score at 7:09, as Brian Conzelman beat Evans with a low shot.

But Guffey took over, scoring at 10:20, 12:15 and :42 of the second period. His goal in the first minute of the second period marked not only a natural hat trick, it was the beginning of a Warrior barrage.

By the time 5:25 had clicked off the second-period clock, Granite City had a 9-1 lead. Pritchard, Nenninger and Reeves (twice) each scored quickly, and Guffey added his fourth at the 5:25 mark.

After that, the Warriors lost a little of their edge, and constant walks to the penalty box slowed the pace even more.

Although the Warriors did get a bit lazy, Yurkovich and Connolly both wondered if the team deserved eight of the

next nine penalties handed out.

"We started grabbing and pulling instead of checking," Yurkovich said. "But I'm sure the referee was giving them a break."

"We deserved them," Connolly said. "Chris Angle went down, and the guys were saying it was their No. 6 that gave him a cheap shot, so we were focusing more on him than we were on the game."

"We got some soft goals there in the second period. It seemed like whatever mistake they'd make — boom — it would end up in the goal. But, we were in position in front of the net, and that's the kind of thing that can happen."

"We took advantage of our opportunities," said Yurkovich. "Hopefully we can get some better competition, so we can see just how good we are."

•Heavyweight

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read the letter with the all-state news to Chris.

"I wanted Chris' parents to be there, too," Harris said. "They have been so supportive of Chris through the years. I wanted them to be there. They share in this honor."

Janek has been selected to another team — and this one will be collectible.

In cooperation with the Illinois High School Association, the ROOX Corporation has announced its latest series of IFSA trading cards. "The Gridiron Greats" series includes the top 50 high school football players in Illinois, and Janek will be featured.

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•Guffey

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The other bright spot for the Warriors on Monday was the play of goalie Tony Evans.

Although he was not often tested, he made all of the big stops when he had to. He even surprised himself with a couple of snazzy glove saves in the second and third periods.

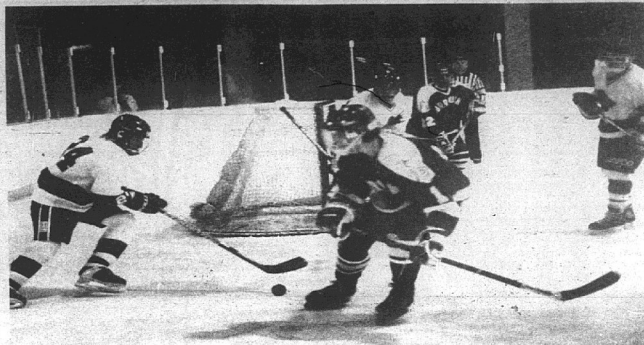
"That one in the third, when he threw up the glove at the last minute, that was a great save," Connolly said. "He

looked in his glove, like 'Did I catch that,' and then looked over at the bench with a big smile on his face."

"It's an important award," Harris said. "It's good to see him get it, and it tells the youngsters that all that work in the weight room and at practice can pay off."

"Chris is a fine kid who exudes a good character, and I'm happy for him. I wish him the best of luck."

Granite City's next game is Saturday against Lindbergh at the South County Rink.



Bobby Scott looks to move the puck out of the Warriors' zone during Monday's game.

•Flyers

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yards on the day, broke free for long touchdown runs of 81 and 79 yards on East Side's first two possessions.

But instead of feeling good at that point, Jones was concerned.

Quoting Penn State coach Joe Paterno, he said: "When you get out to a quick lead, be careful. You haven't done anything yet. You haven't executed or put any plays together yet. All you've done is wake a sleeping giant, and that's exactly what we did. We knew what was coming later."

Bolestered by Leondre Smith's 136 yards and four touchdowns, the Caravan reeled off 50 of the next 56 points that went up on the scoreboard. Mt. Carmel failed to score on only one drive after the first quarter.

Smith scored from 8 yards out with just over 10 minutes left in the first half, and again from 7 yards with 5:30 left in the second quarter to give the Caravan a 29-15 halftime lead.

The Flyers scored on their first possession of the second half, thanks to a roughing the kicker penalty on the Caravan when Sol Holman punted from deep in his own territory.

If the Flyers had an Achilles' heel this year, it was in their punting team. One of the game's turning points came early in the second quarter, when a fake punt attempt by the Flyers failed. Mt. Carmel then calmly drove for the go-ahead score.

"We've been having protection problems throughout the postseason," Jones said. "It wasn't that big of a deal, really. If we would have punted, they would have had the ball at about the 50, and probably would have stuck it in anyway."

Flyers quarterback Lawaun Powell, who was 10-for-18 passing on a cold, windy day, hit Beard on a sideline screen pass midway through the third quarter. Beard eluded several tacklers and scored his third touchdown of the day from 23 yards out to make it 29-21.

But Smith answered again with 2:23 left in the third quarter, giving the Caravan a 36-21 lead, and he scored again early in the fourth quarter on a dazzling 32-yard run.

"We beat a talented, well-coached team today," Lenti said. "The final score is not indicative of the difference between these two schools."

"If we can play as well as we did today next week, we have a good chance to be champions."

"It was a very good year for us," Jones said. "With what we had to deal with this year, we showed East Side is still a team to be reckoned with. It says a lot about these kids."

Mt. Carmel 57, East Side 27

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MT. CARMEL 14 15 7 21 — 57

First Quarter

ESL — Kevin Beard 81 run (Keith Johnson kick), 11:22

MC — John Welsh 36 run (Roland Melchiesky kick), 6:14

ESL — Beard 79 run (Lawaun Powell pass to Javar Holman), 5:38

MC — Welsh 32 run (Melchiesky kick), 1:34

Second Quarter

MC — Leondre Smith 8 run (Smith run), 10:14

MC — Smith 7 run (Melchiesky kick), 5:30

Third Quarter

ESL — Beard 23 pass from Powell (run failed), 6:38

MC — Smith 4 run (Melchiesky kick), 2:23

Fourth Quarter

MC — Smith 22 run (Melchiesky kick), 11:29

MC — Russ Callabrese 39 run (Melchiesky kick), 10:06

MC — Troy Lugg 2 run (Melchiesky kick), 3:44

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•Janek

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Illinois is also interested, as are Iowa, Iowa State, Eastern Illinois and Southern Illinois-Carbondale.

"Quite a few schools have talked to me, and I'm really not sure right now if I have a favorite or anything," Janek said. "It all depends on them, and which one gives me a good offer. I know I want to go to college and play Division I football, and I really want to excel in football at that level. For me, it's not just a way to get into college."

And Harris is sure Janek can cut it at the next level.

"He's developed into a very good football player," Harris said. "He has strength and agility, and mental and physical toughness. He can definitely play Division I football."

Janek said he is still undecided about what he wants to study in college, but he knows it will be either physical education or law enforcement.

"I'm not like (teammate) Matt (Kelahan), with a chance to go to an Ivy League school or anything," Janek said with a chuckle. "But my grades are good enough to get me into a Division I school."

Harris said as a coach — if he was recruiting Janek — he would be most interested.

"This kind of award is what recruiters are always asking about. They want to know what kind of awards has so-and-so won," Harris said. "I'm sure they'll be glad to hear about what Chris has received. It's one of the high points as far as they're concerned."

"I'm excited for the whole family. They've all worked hard to support Chris, and it shows people that if you work hard and stick with something, good things can happen."

For now, Janek will sit back and weigh his options. The official signing period doesn't begin until February, although official visits can begin next month.

"I'll go with the first school that really wants me," he said. "And will give me a chance to play."

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Thomas "Mike" and Ilene Britt of Granite City, formerly of Venice, were honored for their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 11 with a party given by their children. Dinner and dancing were enjoyed by approximately 120 friends and relatives.

The couple was married on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, 1945, at St. Mark's Rectory in Venice. Gale Williams, the couple's brother-in-law, sang "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You" and "Look at Us." Gail Bywater, a friend of the couple, sang "Wind Beneath My Wings," and Curtis Mase, the couple's son-in-law, sang "The Moon is Still Over Her Shoulder." The music was provided by John Fornasiewicz's band. Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin; Ilene Culp and son, Dylan; Roger Griffin and Lynn Archer of Rydal, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Gale Williams of Boise, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dennis of Eldorado, Ill.; and Brenda Christian of Wappapello, Mo.



Knights deliver Thanksgiving baskets

The Granite City Knights of Columbus Tri-Cities Council 1098 distributed Thanksgiving baskets, consisting of a large turkey, cranberry sauce, bread, eggs, turkey stuffing and various canned foods, to the clergy and hospital sisters and to the Holy Family Sisters. Brother Rudy Hoffek also delivered Thanksgiving baskets to five needy families. The baskets delivered to the clergy and sisters was a first for the local council.

Christian Scientists plan special service

Thanksgiving Day is generally seen as a time to be with family and friends. For Christian Scientists, it has an added meaning. It is a time to express gratitude to God for healings and blessings during the past year. They take seriously the New Testament statement from Colossians 2:6-7, "As we have therefore received Christ, Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him: Rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with Thanksgiving."

Every year, a special Thanksgiving service open to the community and dedicated to sharing in the gratitude is held by First Church of Christ Scientist, 2940 Delmar Ave. in Granite City. This year's service will take place at 10 a.m. Nov. 23.

Members of First Church of Christ Scientist in Granite City invite the community to attend this service of Thanksgiving. Care will be provided for children too young to attend. No collections will be taken.

Church Women United meet

The monthly meeting of Church Women United was held Nov. 9 at Central Christian Church with Helen Stumpe presiding. Ruth Lelik gave the thought of the day, relating to the fact that everyone is in constant change throughout their lives.

Those attending were Louise Anderson, Millie Clements, Eva Clemons, Nona Corzelsius, Mildred Jungels, Dorothy Kinney, Muriel Kratz, Mae Lee, Ruth Lelik, Marie Moore, Dorothea Rivenburgh, Lena Seitzer and Helen Stumpe.

Stumpe reported on the activities of the regional assembly that she and five other members attended in Louisville, Ky., Oct. 27 and 28. The theme was "Celebrate Anew." Five states sent representatives. One of the national officers there reported on the fourth women's conference held in China. There were also international student in attendance at this assembly.

Dec. 1 is the date of the Christian Women United's annual Christmas party, to be held at 11 a.m. at Central Christian Church. It will include a pot luck lunch, as well as an auction of craft and white elephant items. All money collected will be given to the Ministry of Women and Children, one of the Christian Women United's main projects. Also honored at the party will be past presidents.

The Church Women United Choir will sing at the Quality Inn in Collinsville on Dec. 9. The annual assembly will be held Jan. 5 at Holy Family Church. New officers will be installed. The officers are: Helen Todoroff, president; Millie Clements, vice president; Dorothy Kinney, secretary; Joyce Bennington, treasurer; and Jean Hillman, chairperson of the nominating committee. A soup luncheon will follow.

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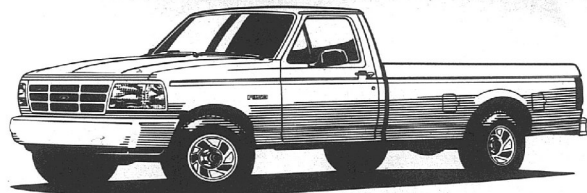
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Goldeneye (PG-13) 12:10, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40
Casino (R) 12:15, 4:10, 8:00
Nick of Time (R) 12:20, 2:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:20
Toy Story (G) 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:30

It Takes Two (PG) 12:05, 2:25, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45, 11:50
Casino (R) 12:15, 4:10, 7:50, 11:20
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Procrastinators fall behind if they don't clear away bill-paying and mundane stuff before the holiday begins.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). A consultation with your boss or a subordinate is highly productive — a shopping trip with a pal is, too.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Avail yourself of expansive vibrations — try a new restaurant or explore an entrepreneurial idea.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Bottlenecks turn into breakthroughs, and you've a practical reason to be pleased with your progress.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 22). Energy and enterprise bring you spectacular results starting now, so get to work! In December, an increase in your cash flow ends your year high.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Today brings special moments in a love affair or marriage — it's worth a change of plans to make time for romance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). New acquaintances are made among the influential — don't be shy because you have plenty of valuable skills and talents to offer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

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21. Invest in the future — someone close by can show you where equity is hidden in present holdings. Big meals and yummy desserts look lovely — a little splurge may be in order. Celebrate that raise that's coming!

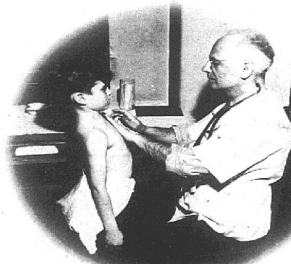
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Visitors to your home are lucky. Warmth and togetherness helps ease recent pressures due to disagreements among you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Chores are completed more quickly than you think — last-minute tasks are many, but exciting results make a success of the holiday. Legal matters are going your way. Family relations are at an all-time high.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Swimming against the tide may work in the morning, but is likely to be a boomerang later.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Feel like procrastinating? Getting an early start means being able to call it a day when obstacles to your progress arise in later hours.

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